CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. A method for providing information related to a broadcast television program, the method comprising:

generating an announcement;

delivering said announcement along with the broadcast television program for display on a television screen within a home; and

receiving an input from a user that selects a function which corresponds to said delivered announcement.

2. The method according to claim 1, further comprising in response to said received input, performing said function at least in part outside said home.

3. The method according to claim 1, further comprising determining whether said received input selection one of accepts and selects said function.

4. The method according to claim 3, further comprising if said received input selection accepts said function, transferring media associated with said function to said display on said television screen.

5. The method according to claim 4, further comprising transferring said media concurrently with viewing of the broadcast television program.

6. The method according to claim 1, wherein said input is a code representative of said function.

7. The method according to claim 1, wherein said input is generated from at least one of a remote control, a keyboard, a scanning device and an audio processing device.

8. The method according to claim 1, further comprising generating supplemental information related to the broadcast television program in response to said received input.

9. The method according to claim 8, further comprising presenting said supplemental information to said user.

10. The method according to claim 8, further comprising presenting said supplemental information to said user concurrently with the broadcast television program.

11. A machine-readable storage having stored thereon, a computer program having at least one code section for providing information related to a broadcast television program, the at least one code section being executable by a machine for causing the machine to perform steps comprising:

generating an announcement;

delivering said announcement along with the broadcast television program for display on a television screen within a home; and

receiving an input from a user that selects a function which corresponds to said delivered announcement.

12. The machine-readable storage according to claim 11, further comprising code for performing said function at least in part outside said home in response to said received input.

13. The machine-readable storage according to claim 11, further comprising code for determining whether said received input selection one of accepts and selects said function.

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14.   The machine-readable storage according to claim 13, further comprising code for transferring media associated with said function to said display on said television screen if said received input selection accepts said function.

15.   The machine-readable storage according to claim 14, further comprising code for transferring said media concurrently with viewing of the broadcast television program.

16.   The machine-readable storage according to claim 11, wherein said input is representative of said function.

17.   The machine-readable storage according to claim 11, wherein said input is generated from at least one of a remote control, a keyboard, a scanning device and an audio processing device.

18.   The machine-readable storage according to claim 11, further comprising code for generating supplemental information related to the broadcast television program in response to said received input.

19.   The machine-readable storage according to claim 18, further comprising code that causes said supplemental information to be presented to said user.

20.   The machine-readable storage according to claim 18, further comprising code for presenting said supplemental information to said user concurrently with the broadcast television program.

21.   A system for providing information related to a broadcast television program, the system comprising:

at least one processor that generates an announcement;

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said at least one processor that delivers said announcement along with the broadcast television program for display on a television screen within a home; and

said at least one processor that receives an input from a user that selects a function which corresponds to said delivered announcement.

22.   The system according to claim 21, wherein said at least one processor performs said function at least in part outside said home in response to said received input.

23.   The system according to claim 21, wherein said at least one processor determines whether said received input selection one of accepts and selects said function.

24.   The system according to claim 23, wherein said at least one processor transfers media associated with said function to said display on said television screen if said received input selection accepts said function.

25.   The system according to claim 24, wherein said at least one processor transfers said media concurrently with viewing of the broadcast television program.

26.   The system according to claim 21, wherein said input is a code representative of said function.

27.   The system according to claim 21, wherein said input is generated from at least one of a remote control, a keyboard, a scanning device and an audio processing device.

28.   The system according to claim 21, wherein said at least one processor generates supplemental information related to the broadcast television program in response to said received input.

29. The system according to claim 28, wherein said at least one processor presents said supplemental information to said user.

30. The system according to claim 28, said at least one processor presents said supplemental information to said user concurrently with the broadcast television program.

31. The system according to claim 21, wherein said at least one processor is at least one of a media processing system processor, a media management system processor, a computer processor, media exchange software processor and a media peripheral processor.